

**Abstract**

This invention makes a pharmaceutical formulation for oral administration with extended release properties available comprising an amount of gepirone hydrochloride, an amount of a cellulosic polymer matrix and an amount of microcrystalline cellulose characterised in that the amount the pharmaceutically acceptable cellulosic polymer matrix is from 70 to 85 wt %, the amount of carbohydrate binder is from 7 to 10 wt % and the amount of gepirone hydrochloride is from 13 to 21 wt %. The formulation is useful for a treatment for depression or a related central nervous system disorder with gepirone administered in a once-a-day oral formulation for extended release of gepirone.